# 2002 Current Fiscal Year Report: American Samoa Economic Advisory Commission

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1. Department or Agency 2. Fiscal Year

Department of the Interior 2002

3. Committee or Subcommittee 3b. GSA Committee No.

American Samoa Economic Advisory Commission 5245

4. Is this New During Fiscal 5. Current 6. Expected Renewal 7. Expected Term

Year? Charter Date Date

No 11/20/2000 12/22/2001

8a. Was Terminated During 8b. Specific Termination 8c. Actual Term

FiscalYear? Authority Date

Yes 12/21/2001

9. Agency Recommendation for Next10a. Legislation Reg to 10b. Legislation

FiscalYear Terminate? Pending?

Terminate No

**11. Establishment Authority** Agency Authority

12. Specific Establishment 13. Effective 14. Committee 14c.

Authority Date Type Presidential?

Continuing No

**15. Description of Committee** Non Scientific Program Advisory Board

**16a. Total Number of** No Reports for this

**Reports** FiscalYear

17a. Open 0 17b. Closed 0 17c. Partially Closed 0 Other Activities 0 17d. Total 0

**Meetings and Dates** 

No Meetings

|  | Current FY | Next FY |
|--|------------|---------|
| 18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members                  | \$0.00     | \$0.00  |
| 18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members                      | \$0.00     | \$0.00  |
| 18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff                        | \$0.00     | \$0.00  |
| 18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants               | \$0.00     | \$0.00  |
| 18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members             | \$0.00     | \$0.00  |
| 18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members                 | \$0.00     | \$0.00  |
| 18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff                   | \$0.00     | \$0.00  |
| 18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants          | \$0.00     | \$0.00  |
| 18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.) | \$0.00     | \$0.00  |
| 18d. Total   | \$0.00     | \$0.00  |

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# 20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The American Samoa Economic Advisory Commission meets to analyze information gathered by staff, hear public comments and views, and in an advisory capacity, develop recommendations regarding the economic development of American Samoa. The Commission submits its recommendations to the Secretary of the Interior in a report. The Secretary may transmit it, along with any comments he deems necessary, to the President. If the President agrees with the report, he may transmit it with any comments to the President of the U.S. Senate and the speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives.

# 20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

The Commission is composed of six members and one ex-officio member, representing three categories - two Federal government officials, two members who represent the financial, business, or trade community, and two members representing local area interests. The ex-officio member is the territorial Delegate to the U. S. House of Representatives.

# 20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

Commission meetings will be called by the Chairman as often as deessary, but no less than one meeting will be held annually.

# 20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

American Samoa does not have sufficient local revenues to fund its entire operating costs. It desperately needs exteranl expertise in economic development to help provide its citizens with new ideas and incentives to assist rejuvenate its stagnant and limited economy. Since there is no existing advisory committee designed to do this work, the establishment of the American Samoa Economic Advisory Commission would be the best way to provide a centralized forum for this type of discourse.

# 20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

All commission meetings are opened to the public and notices of meetings will be posted in the Federal Register.

#### 21. Remarks

# **Designated Federal Officer**

# Nikolao I. Pula Desk Officer for American Samoa & Palau

| Committee<br>Members    | Start                | End   | Occupation  | Member Designation    |
|-------------------------|----------------------|---|---|-----------------------|
| Campbell,               | 12/22/1008           | 00/30/2002  | Federal Official; DUS at Rural Development, USDA  | Special Government    |
| Arthur                  | 12/22/1000           | 03/30/2002  | 5/30/2002 i caciai ciniciai, 500 at Naiai bevelopinent, 005A  | Employee (SGE) Member |
| Lagomarsino,            | 12/22/1009           | 998 09/30/2002 Consultant; private businessman; former Republican Congressman from Ventura, California. | Consultant; private businessman; former Republican  | Special Government    |
| Robert                  | 12/22/1990 09/3      |   | Employee (SGE) Member   |                       |
| Pereira,                | 12/22/1009           | 09/30/2002  | Consultant; private businessman; one of two members from  | Special Government    |
| Joseph                  | 12/22/1990           | 0 09/30/2002  | American Samoa.   | Employee (SGE) Member |
| Straub,                 | 12/22/1008           | 09/30/2002 Federal Official; DAS at EDA, Commerce Department  | Special Government  |                       |
| Chester                 | 12/22/1990           | 03/30/2002  | 39/30/2002 i ederal Official, DAS at EDA, Confinence Department   | Employee (SGE) Member |
| Tulafono,               | 12/22/1008           | 2/22/1998 09/30/2002  | 2/22/1998 09/30/2002 Lieutenant Governor of American Samoa; attorney; one of two members from American Samoa. | Special Government    |
| Togiola                 | 12/22/1990           |   |   | Employee (SGE) Member |
| Waihee, John 12/22/1998 | 2/22/1998 09/30/2002 | Attorney; Former democratic governor of the state of Hawaii   | Special Government  |                       |
|                         |                      |   | Employee (SGE) Member   |                       |

#### Number of Committee Members Listed: 6

# **Narrative Description**

# **Checked if Applies** Improvements to health or safety Trust in government Major policy changes Advance in scientific research Effective grant making Improved service delivery Increased customer satisfaction Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

#### **Outcome Comments**

Other

| What are the cost savings associated with this committee? |                    |
|---|--------------------|
|   | Checked if Applies |
| None  | ✓                  |
| Unable to Determine                                       |                    |
| Under \$100,000   |                    |
| \$100,000 - \$500,000                                     |                    |
|   |                    |

| \$500,001 - \$1,000,000<br>\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000<br>\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000   |
|--|
| Over \$10,000,000 Cost Savings Other   |
| Cost Savings Comments  |
| What is the approximate $\underline{\text{Number}}$ of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?<br>0              |
| Number of Recommendations Comments   |
| What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency? $0\%$                       |
| % of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments  |
| What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency? $0\%$                   |
| % of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments  |
| Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?  Yes No Not Applicable |
| Agency Feedback Comments   |

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

|   | Checked if Applies |
|---|--------------------|
| Reorganized Priorities  |                    |
| Reallocated resources   |                    |
| Issued new regulation   |                    |
| Proposed legislation  |                    |
| Approved grants or other payments                                     |                    |
| Other   |                    |
| Action Comments   |                    |
|   |                    |
| Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants' No | ?                  |
| Grant Review Comments   |                    |
| How is access provided to the information for the Committee's do      |                    |
|   | Checked if Applies |
| Contact DFO   |                    |
| Online Agency Web Site  |                    |
| Online Committee Web Site   |                    |
| Online GSA FACA Web Site  |                    |
| Publications  |                    |
| Other   |                    |

**Access Comments**